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Subject: Meeting on glyphosate use

Hi All,

On January 12th, I had a conference call with staff from EPA Region 9 concerning enforcement actions we have taken against Hawaii State DOT Highways or Counties. This stems around the use of glyphosate products and enforcing the section of the label reading "Prevent people and pets from entering treated areas until sprays have dried". While we have issued Warning Notices to the State DOT as recent as Sept. 2015, EPA Region 9 asked if I would call a meeting with key individuals from the State DOT Highways and County roadways to discuss this issue. This concern is based on questions posed to EPA Region 9 by concerned citizens in the State of Hawaii about enforcing the label language.

I briefed EPA Region 9 on my meetings with Honolulu C&C and the Big Island county staff and also with the State DOT and Harbors about this concern. Also the discussion of establishing BMPs and our offer to provide training by HDOA's Education staff.

Hence, I am looking at setting up a conference call meeting in a couple of weeks, for Thursday January 28th at 9:00 am (HST). I am coordinating with Dr. Po-Yung Lai of the City and County of Honolulu to secure a conference room for those who can attend on Oahu and a obtain a call in phone number for those off island.

Please let me know if you or your representative can participate.

Mahalo,

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